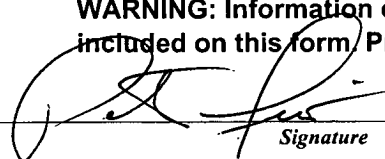
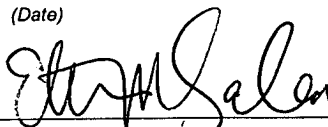


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Applicant(s): ABBOTT, et al.					
Application No. 10/743,677	Filing Date December 22, 2004	Examiner Fastovsky, Leonid M.	Customer No. 26,812	Group Art Unit 3742	Confirmation No.
Invention: SHAPED HEATERS AND USES THEREOF					
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AMENDMENT A

Dear Sir:

This Amendment is being filed in response to the Official Action mailed December 29, 2004.

REMARKS

In the Official Action mailed December 29, 2004, the Examiner has required restriction, under 35 USC 121, between the following groups of claims:

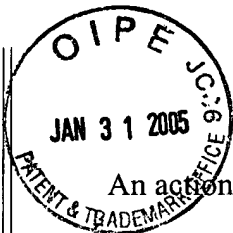
- (I) Claims 14-26, drawn to a mold, classified in class 249, subclass 78; and
- (II) Claim 27-47, drawn to a method of making a molded product, classified in class 264, subclass 219.

The Applicant provisionally elects to prosecute Group I, i.e. claims 14-26 directed to a mold, and it is requested that, without further action thereon, claim Group II shall be retained in this application pending disposition of the application, and for possible filing of a divisional application.

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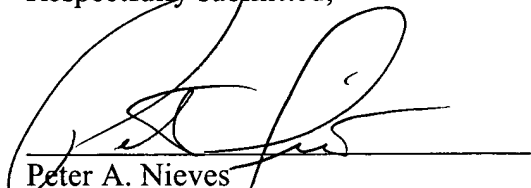


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An action on the merits is respectfully requested.

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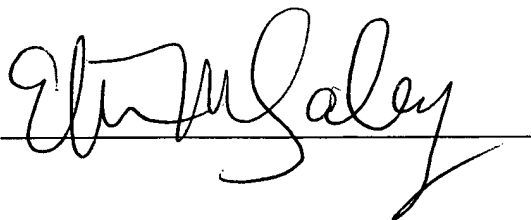
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